

# CityNews

QUARTERLY UPDATES ON CITY PROJECTS, PROGRAMS, AND SERVICES

#### ALL-AMERICA CITY

You live in an All-America City! In June, Council Bluffs received the prestigious All-America City Award for its civic engagement to help more young children achieve gradelevel reading proficiency and early school success. Council Bluffs was one of just 15 communities nationwide to receive the award from the Campaign for Grade-Level Reading and the National Civic League. To select the 15 awardees, a panel of judges examined the Self-Assessments from communities that were nominated as finalists. Self-Assessments are a rigorous process designed to help communities reflect on what's working and prepare for the next phase of action. "In the blink of an eye, our third graders will graduate and enter our local workforce, so ensuring student success ultimately benefits the entire community. It's great to see so many of our community partners working together to provide opportunities for our students to succeed," said Mayor Walsh.





#### **FACEBOOK & FREE MUGS**

Check out our Facebook page @CityOfCB! We post up-to-date information regarding City projects, programs, services, and amenities.

We're giving away 100 Council Bluffs coffee mugs to our followers! To get a mug, simply "like" and "follow" our page, then send us a message stating what you love about Council Bluffs. First 50 new followers get a mug! Already follow us? Share a beautiful picture of Council Bluffs on our page. First 50 pictures get a mug!

### What's Happening?

Oct . 9: City Council Meeting

Oct . 23: City Council Meeting

Oct. 28: Operation Medicine Cabinet

Nov. 13: City Council Meeting

Nov. 10: Holiday, City Offices Closed

Nov. 15: Sanitation Bill Due

Nov. 16: Holiday Lights Event at Bayliss Park

Nov. 23: Holiday, City Offices Closed

Nov. 23: No Curbside Garbage Collection

Nov. 24: Holiday, City Offices Closed

Nov. 27: City Council Meeting

Dec. 18: City Council Meeting

Dec. 25: Holiday, City Offices Closed

Dec. 25: No Curbside Garbage Collection

Jan. 1: Holiday, City Offices Closed

Jan. 1: No Curbside Garbage Collection

Jan. 2-6: Curbside Christmas Tree Collection

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#### **OPERATION MEDICINE CABINET**

Drop off your expired or unused medications for safe disposal on National Drug Take Back Day, Saturday, October 28 at Walgreens (535 East Broadway) between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Drop off on the west side of the building, next to pharmacy drive-through. Rain or shine, this event is FREE! Simply drive up, drop off, and drive away. No questions asked.

# River's Edge Pavilion, taking reservations now!

The Pavilion, located at 4250 River's Edge Parkway, offers a unique combination of indoor and outdoor rental space for meetings, parties, and gatherings of all kinds. Details at our website, on the Parks page.





#### HOLIDAY LIGHTS EVENT AT BAYLISS PARK

Mark your calendars now! Council Bluffs will be lighting up Bayliss Park with holiday decorations. The lighting event will kick off the 19th Annual Winterfest with the traditional lighting ceremony on Thursday, November 16. Join Mayor Walsh and Santa Claus, himself, for the official lighting at 6:00 p.m., and then stay for free family-friendly activities through the evening. All Winterfest activities are listed at our website, on the Parks page.

Did you know the West Broadway Reconstruction Project has its own website and Facebook page? Check it out!

www.WBReconstruction.com
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## **Preparing for Winter**

Council Bluffs has two types of emergencies/ bans that can be issued during the snow season, and we want citizens to be aware of how they will affect the community. The first is a "Snow Emergency" which means there

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will be no parking allowed on posted emergency routes. To see a list of emergency routes visit our website. The second is a "Mandatory Odd/Even Parking Ban" which affects all streets with parking on both sides of the street as well as cul-de-sacs. Snow Season Reminders: Public Works does not plow alleys. Plows often make numerous passes on streets which means there will be push back into the driveway. Public Works is not responsible for clearing out push back at the end of the driveway. The City does not have a designated area to dump snow. Public Works has crews working day and night to effectively and efficiently remove snow and keep our city and residents safe.

"Congratulations are in order for the Council Bluffs Recycling Center as we celebrate their 20th Anniversary. The CBRC continues to provide top-notch services to the community and our residents. I would also like to congratulate Donn Dierks, Director of Public Health, on being recognized by the Metro Area Planning Agency with the Regional Citizenship Award, as well as his upcoming retirement. Thank you, Donn, for your 29 years of exemplary service."

- Mayor Matt Walsh

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